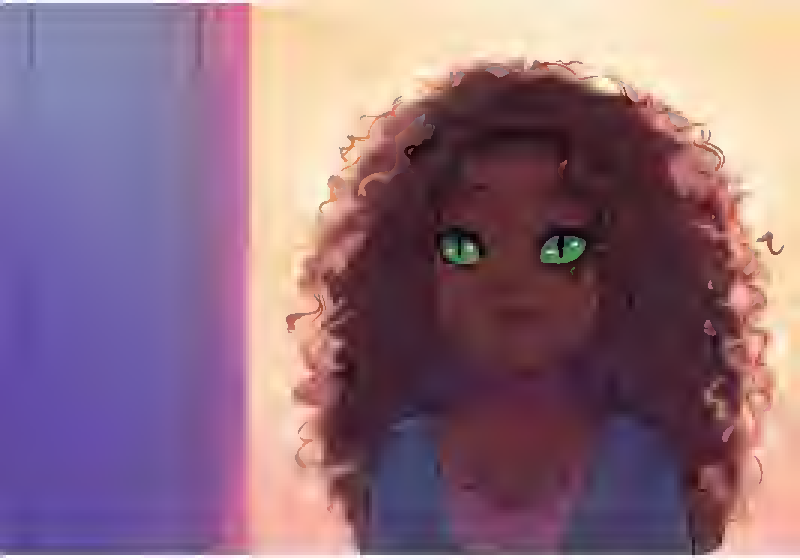
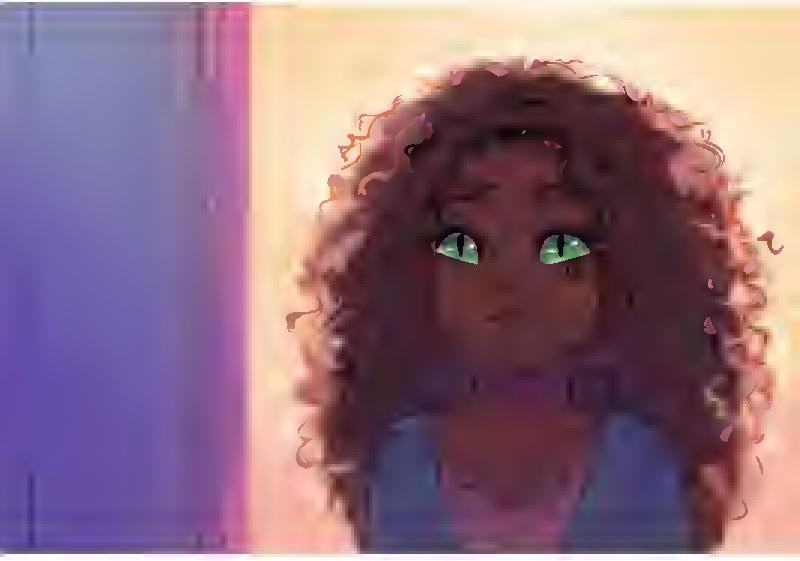
ALWAYS HUMAN

44 - A small quiet place

NO. NOT QUITE.
. . . DID YOU WANT SOMETHING?
WELL,
I DIDN'T SAY THIS EARLIER, SO I NEED TO SAY IT NOW.

I'M REALLY GOING TO MISS YOU.





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YOU TOO, SUNATI.
I'M GOING TO MISS YOU SO MUCH.
I'M SO SCARED.
WAIT, YOU'RE SCARED?
I'M TERRIFIED.

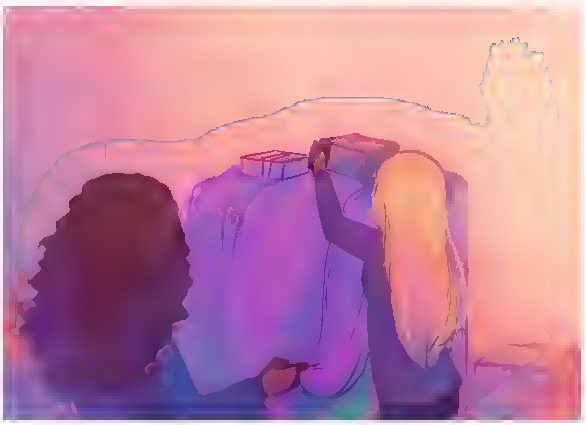
SNIFF
SHOULD WE GET THE TALKING TEDDY OUT?
YEAH, I THINK SO.

RAE AND I HAVE SPENT A LOT OF TIME IN DORMS.

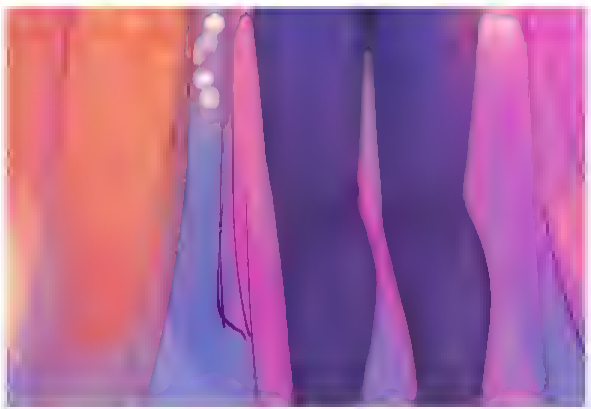
HIGH SCHOOL DORMS.

UNIVERSITY DORMS.

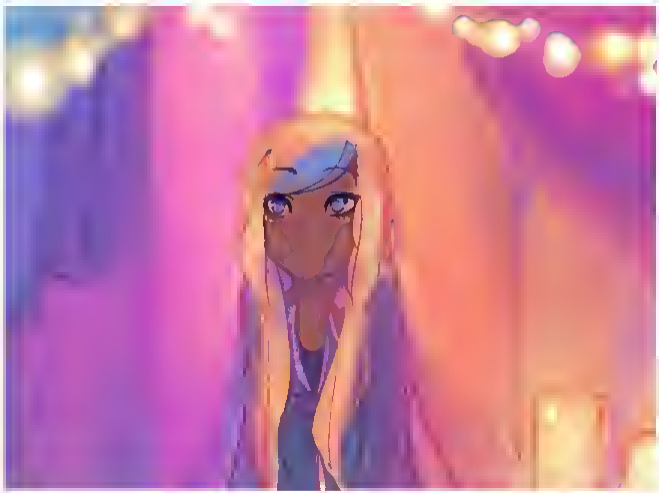
BUSY CROWDED PLACES, WHERE IF YOU WANT A BIT OF SOLITUDE YOU HAVE TO CREATE IT YOURSELF.



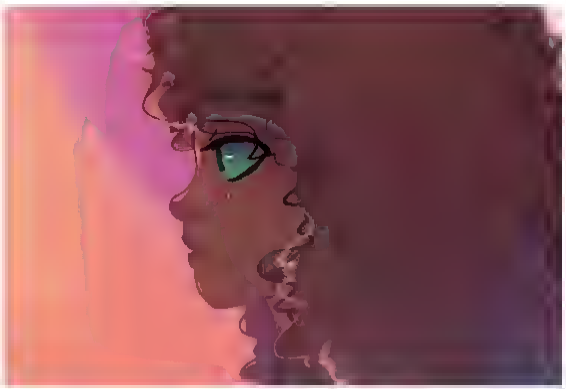
SO SOMETIMES, WHEN WE NEEDED TO TALK, WE'D BUILD A BLANKET FORT.

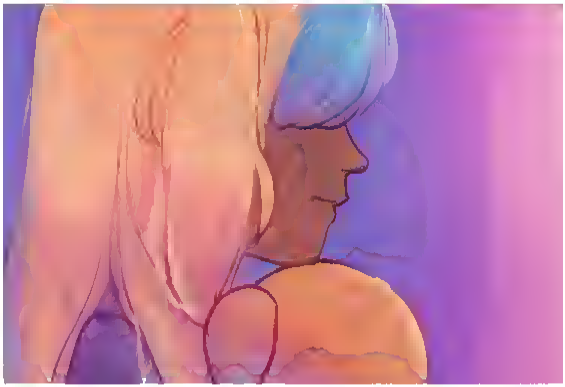


A SMALL QUIET PLACE, JUST FOR THE TWO OF US.



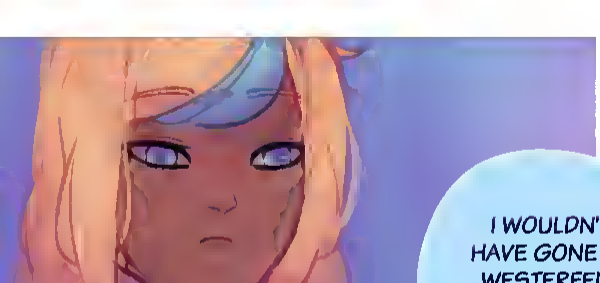
I GUESS IT'S BECOME A HABIT.



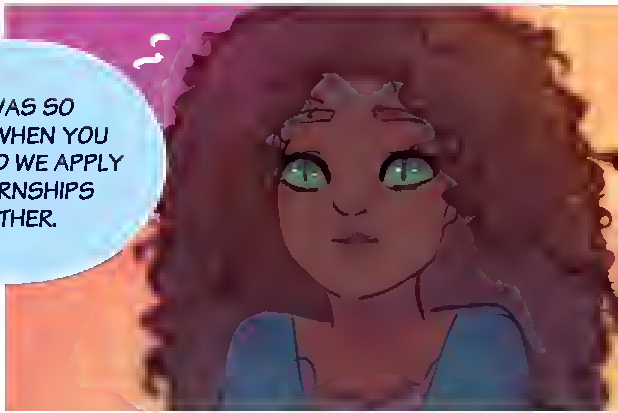


I THINK-

I THINK I
RELY ON YOU
TOO MUCH.


I WOULDN'T HAVE GONE TO WESTERFELD SCHOOL IF WE HADN'T MET.

I PICKED THE SAME ELECTIVES AS YOU BECAUSE YOU MADE THEM SOUND LIKE SO MUCH FUN.
I WASN'T SURE WHAT I WANTED TO DO AT UNIVERSITY SO JUST I APPLIED FOR ALL THE COURSES YOU CHOSE.



IT'S BEEN SO COMFORTING, GETTING TO FOLLOW IN YOUR FOOTSTEPS.

YOU ALWAYS SEEM TO KNOW EXACTLY WHAT YOU WANT TO DO.
BUT I'VE NEVER HAD THAT CERTAINTY.
OF COURSE THERE ARE LOTS OF THINGS I LIKE TO DO.
AND I THINK THERE ARE A FEW THINGS I'M PRETTY GOOD AT.

BUT I'M JUST DRIFTING AIMLESSLY.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT I WANT TO DO WITH THE REST OF MY LIFE.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT I'M GOING TO DO WITHOUT YOU.

SO YEAH,
THAT'S WHY
I'M SCARED.

AND, UM
DO YOU WANT
TO TALK NOW?

Thank you for reading!

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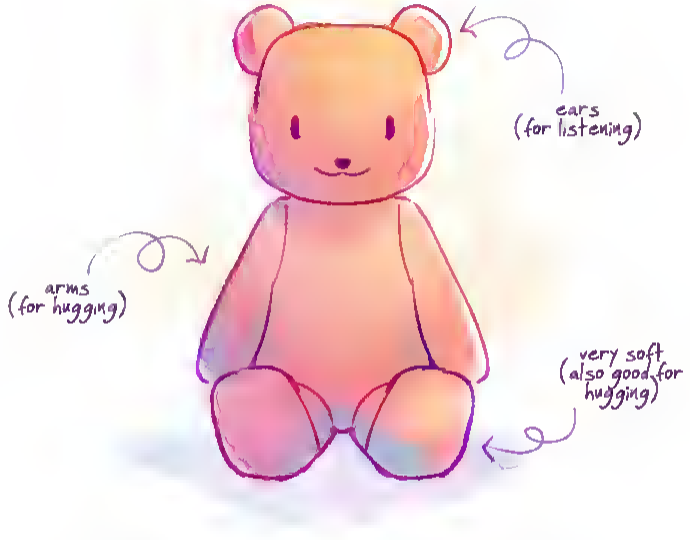
THE TALKING TEDDY



RULES

- ONLY THE PERSON HOLDING THE TEDDY CAN TALK
- YOU HAVE TO TELL THE TEDDY THE TRUTH
- THE TEDDY MAGICALLY GENERATES A JUDGEMENT-FREE ZONE, SO YOU CAN TELL THE TEDDY ANYTHING.